- 1 MR. SCHAUBLE: Okay. Your Honor, there is a
- 2 difference between an estimate and a guess.
- 3 MR. SHAINIS: She said she'd guess. She said, "I
- 4 would guess."
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: She said she doesn't recall.
- 6 MR. SCHAUBLE: Okay.
- 7 MR. SCHAUBLE: If you have something to refresh
- 8 her recollection, use it; if not, that's the testimony.
- 9 BY MR. SCHAUBLE:
- 10 Q And could you please describe -- where did this
- 11 visit take place?
- 12 A This visit took place at my home in Panorama City.
- 13 I was at work, and my stepson came and picked me up from
- 14 work and told me that there was a gentleman at FCC at our
- 15 home waiting to talk to me.
- 16 Q Okay. And did you, in fact, meet with that
- 17 individual?
- 18 A I did.
- 19 Q Okay. Do you recall the individual's name?
- 20 A I only recall his first name as "Benny."
- 21 Q Okay. Could you please describe what happened in
- 22 that --
- 23 A When I came in, the gentleman from the FCC, Benny,
- 24 introduced himself and told me the reason he was there to
- 25 see me was because he had been informed that my repeater

- 1 station was operating illegally.
- Q Okay. Did he inform you in what manner the
- 3 station was operating illegally?
- 4 A He just indicated that it was operating illegally.
- 5 Q Did he inform you of what prompted the FCC to --
- 6 A He did.
- 7 Q -- to visit you?
- 8 A He did. He told me that he had a complaint from
- 9 Mr. James Kay.
- 10 Q Okay. And did he describe the nature of the
- 11 complaint from Mr. Kay?
- 12 A I do not recall if he went into any kind of
- 13 detailing on it, no.
- 14 Q Okay. Now, during this time period who was, in
- 15 fact, responsible for operating this station?
- 16 A Mr. Kay.
- 17 Q Okay. Now, do you recall anything else concerning
- 18 the meeting with Benny from the FCC?
- 19 A Nothing more than he would get back to us and let
- 20 us know what was going to happen or if he had any more
- 21 questions.
- Q Okay. Let me ask you this. Where were you living
- 23 when this inspection took place?
- 24 A At 8857 Willis Avenue, Panorama City, California.
- 25 O Okay. And what time period did you live there?

- 1 A I only lived there about a year, but I don't know
- 2 the exact time frame.
- 3 Q Okay. Can you provide me with your best estimate
- 4 of when you lived there?
- 5 A June of '90 until August of '91, maybe.
- 6 Q Now, as a result of this visit -- did you take any
- 7 action as a result of this visit from the FCC?
- 8 A I had additionally contacted Riley Hollingsworth.
- 9 I had also sent letters to congressmen and other individuals
- 10 within the Government, trying to find out about my
- 11 particular license to make sure that it was no longer in my
- 12 name, that I did not want to have -- I wanted them to cancel
- 13 the license so that it was not active.
- 14 Q Okay. And, to your knowledge, was the license
- 15 ever canceled?
- 16 A Not to my knowledge.
- 17 Q Okay. Did you believe that this incident had any
- 18 impact on your agreement with Mr. Kay?
- 19 A This, yes, and other circumstances prior to this.
- Q Okay. First, would you please describe what
- 21 impact you believe it had?
- 22 A What impact --
- 23 Q Let me strike the question. You made a reference
- 24 to "other circumstances."
- 25 A Yes.

- 1 Q Could you please describe what you mean by those
- 2 other circumstances?
- A Mr. Kay and my husband had a falling out.
- 4 Q Okay.
- 5 A And from that time until FCC, Mr. Benny, came to
- 6 our door, they had not been on very good terms, my husband
- 7 and Mr. Kay.
- 8 Q Okay.
- 9 A And I believe, in a sense, it was a retaliation
- 10 measure.
- 11 Q Okay. What sort of relationship did your husband
- 12 have with Mr. Kay?
- 13 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Which husband are we talking
- 14 about?
- MR. SCHAUBLE: Ask the witness --
- 16 THE WITNESS: Mr. Pfeifer.
- 17 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Mr. Pfeifer?
- 18 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 19 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Okay.
- 20 THE WITNESS: Mr. Pfeifer had also worked for Mr.
- 21 Kay.
- MR. SCHAUBLE: Okay.
- THE WITNESS: And they had a miscommunication, and
- 24 my husband no longer worked for Mr. Kay.
- 25 BY MR. SCHAUBLE:

- 1 Q Do you recall approximately the time period during
- 2 which your husband worked for Mr. Kay?
- 3 A Not exactly. My best estimate would have been
- 4 late-'89 and '90.
- 5 Q Okay. Now, after this visit from the FCC, did you
- 6 ever take any other sort of action with respect to the
- 7 license that was in your name?
- 8 A Yes.
- 9 O Please describe that action.
- 10 A My husband, David Pfeifer, had contacted somebody
- 11 he knew that was also in the radio communication business
- 12 and had offered him my license, that I would turn over my
- 13 license to him. I would sign an authorization and turn it
- 14 over to him.
- 15 Q Okay. Do you recall the name of that individual?
- 16 A I believe the name of the company was A1A
- 17 Repeaters.
- 18 Q And do you know whether your license was, in fact,
- 19 ever transferred over to A1A Repeaters?
- 20 A I do not know.
- 21 Q Now, did you ever receive any revenues or money in
- 22 connection with the station that was licensed in your name?
- 23 A No.
- 24 Q Did you ever receive any reports or information
- 25 from Mr. Kay as to the revenues the station was generating?

- 1 A No.
- 2 Q Did you ever receive any information from Mr. Kay
- 3 as to the -- strike that. Who was responsible -- was there
- 4 someone who was responsible for placing customers on that
- 5 station?
- 6 A Yes.
- 7 O And who was that?
- 8 A Mr. James Kay.
- 9 Q Did Mr. Kay ever provide you with any reports
- 10 concerning his efforts to place customers on his station?
- 11 A No.
- 12 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Did you ever ask Mr. Kay for such
- 13 reports?
- 14 THE WITNESS: I occasionally asked him for updates
- 15 on how full the station was.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: And what did Mr. Kay say on those
- 17 occasions?
- 18 THE WITNESS: He never gave me an answer. He
- 19 avoided the question.
- BY MR. SCHAUBLE:
- 21 Q Were you ever given any information concerning
- 22 expenses incurred with respect to the station licensing
- 23 agreement?
- 24 A No.
- 25 Q Did you have any knowledge as to what happened to

- 1 the revenues that the station generated?
- 2 A None.
- 3 MR. SCHAUBLE: Your Honor, if I could have one
- 4 minute off the record.
- 5 JUDGE CHACHKIN: All right. We'll go off the
- 6 record.
- 7 (Discussion off the record.)
- 8 MR. SCHAUBLE: I have no further questions. Thank
- 9 you, Ms. Pfeifer.
- 10 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Cross-examination?
- 11 MR. SHAINIS: Yes, Your Honor. Could we have --
- 12 Your Honor, with your indulgence, could I have a half-hour
- 13 to confer with Mr. Kay?
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Do you have any objection?
- 15 MR. SCHAUBLE: No objection, Your Honor.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: All right. I'll give you until
- 17 10:30.
- 18 MR. SHAINIS: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 19 (Whereupon, at 10:02 a.m., a brief recess was
- 20 taken.)
- 21 (10:33 a.m.)
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Are you ready to proceed,
- 23 Counsel?
- MR. SHAINIS: Yes, Your Honor.
- 25 MR. KELLER: Before we begin the cross-

- 1 examination, Your Honor, I have one preliminary matter. I
- 2 wanted to ask counsel for the Bureau if they would stipulate
- 3 that the license for Station WNHD 783 -- at least one
- 4 version of that license is in WTB Exhibit Number 305 -- was,
- 5 in fact, assigned from Carla Pfeifer to A1A Repeater Company
- 6 and is currently held by A1A Repeater Company.
- 7 MR. SCHAUBLE: I cannot stipulate.
- 8 MR. KELLER: Very well. I'll get you appropriate
- 9 documentation for an official notice to that fact.
- 10 JUDGE CHACHKIN: You're not aware of what the
- 11 situation is?
- MR. SCHAUBLE: Your Honor, I'm not aware as to
- 13 whether it's currently in the hands of A1A Repeater Company.
- 14 I cannot --
- 15 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Can you stipulate that an
- 16 assignment application from Carla Pfeifer to A1A Repeater
- 17 was, in fact, granted by the Commission?
- MR. SCHAUBLE: I don't have the date immediately
- 19 in front of me.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: But was it, in fact, granted by
- 21 the Commission?
- MR. SCHAUBLE: My understanding is that it was, in
- 23 fact, granted.
- 24 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Can we stipulate to that without
- 25 the date? We'll get the date later.

- 1 MR. SCHAUBLE: Yes.
- 2 MR. KELLER: I'll get more detailed information
- 3 for --
- 4 JUDGE CHACHKIN: So the stipulation is that, in
- 5 fact, it was assigned to -- what was it? -- A1 --
- 6 MR. SHAINIS: AlA Repeater.
- 7 JUDGE CHACHKIN: -- and the Commission granted the
- 8 application for reassignment. We've stipulated that. Is
- 9 that correct?
- 10 MR. SCHAUBLE: Correct.
- 11 JUDGE CHACHKIN: All right. Go ahead, Counsel.
- MR. SHAINIS: And further stipulation that Mr. Kay
- 13 has absolutely no interest in A1A Repeater.
- MR. SCHAUBLE: We have no information that Mr. Kay
- 15 has any interest in AlA Repeater.
- 16 JUDGE CHACHKIN: All right. Unless they present
- 17 evidence, unless the Bureau presents evidence that Mr. Kay
- 18 is involved with A1A Repeater, the record will reflect that
- 19 he is not involved.
- MR. KELLER: Very well.
- MR. SCHAUBLE: Very well, Your Honor.
- 22 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 23 BY MR. SHAINIS:
- 24 Q Ms. Pfeifer, good morning.
- 25 A Good morning.

- 1 Q I will try and make this as short and as painless
- 2 as possible because I realize that you've been flying all
- 3 night.
- 4 A Yes, I have. I worked all day yesterday.
- 5 Q I understand that. I'd like to go back and just
- 6 explore for a bit some questions Mr. Schauble asked you
- 7 concerning your relationship with Mr. Kay. I believe you
- 8 testified that you became associated with him through his
- 9 ownership of a citizen's band radio shop. Correct?
- 10 A Correct.
- O Okay. And you then became social friends in the
- 12 context of -- my understanding -- to cut to the chase -- is
- 13 that you did things such as you were in the same bowling
- 14 league. Is that correct?
- 15 A Correct.
- 16 Q Okay. Could you tell me some other social things
- 17 you did with Mr. Kay?
- 18 A Gathered at friends' houses for holiday dinners
- 19 just to chat, at birthday parties, that kind of thing.
- 20 Q All right. And this was a long-term relationship
- 21 that you enjoyed with Mr. Kay and your ex-husband. It
- 22 started with your ex-husband. Correct?
- 23 A That is correct.
- Q Okay. And your working for Mr. Kay was not on a
- 25 regular basis. Is that correct?

- 1 A Very sporadic.
- 2 Q And you did it more out of friendship, I would
- 3 assume, than for monetary remuneration.
- 4 A That is correct as I did not get paid for it.
- 5 Q Okay. All right. I'd like to talk to you now
- 6 about the filing of the application in your name. Did you
- 7 view this as a business opportunity?
- 8 A I think that's a fair statement.
- 9 Q I'm not trying to put words in your mouth.
- 10 A I think that's a fair statement.
- 11 Q Okay. And if the venture was successful, you
- 12 would make money and Mr. Kay would make money. Is that
- 13 correct?
- 14 A That is correct.
- Okay. And without trying to pry, would it be safe
- 16 to say that Mr. Kay was in a better position to finance this
- 17 project than you and your then-husband?
- 18 A This project started to form out of the need for
- 19 everyone to want to increase their own interests.
- Q When you say "interests," you're meaning financial
- 21 interests.
- 22 A Yes.
- 23 Q Let me use another word, "financial gain."
- 24 A Yes.
- 25 Q Okay.

- 1 A Okay. I'm trying to think how best to answer the
- 2 question directly.
- 3 Q Take your time.
- 4 A Why don't you repeat it?
- 5 Q Well, let me rephrase it --
- 6 A Yeah.
- 7 O -- because I didn't do well the first time.
- 8 A Let's try that.
- 9 Q Okay. And I'm not offended. The cost of going
- 10 forward with the application process and if the application
- 11 was granted, the subsequent construction, Mr. Kay was better
- 12 able to afford those costs than you at that time. Is that
- 13 correct?
- 14 A That is correct. He was in the field, so he had
- 15 better access to better pricing on everything that was
- 16 needed.
- 17 Q He also had the expertise to be of assistance in
- 18 putting together the application. Is that correct?
- 19 A That is correct. I had no knowledge.
- 20 Q Okay. You're not a technical person, I would
- 21 venture to say.
- 22 A That is correct.
- 23 Q Okay. And I don't mean that in a derogatory
- 24 sense. I'm not a technical person either. Okay. You've
- 25 stated that Mr. Kay told you that he was unable to apply.

- 1 Is that correct?
- 2 A I believe what he said was that he was unable to
- 3 apply for any additional FCC licenses because he was limited
- 4 to only a certain number to hold in his own right.
- 5 Q Now, that conversation that you had with Mr. Kay
- 6 took place many years ago. Correct?
- 7 A It did, but we had it more than once.
- 8 Q Okay. Do you know for a certainty that he was
- 9 unable to apply for that particular station?
- 10 A No, I do not.
- 11 Q Okay. All right. The fact that Mr. Kay paid for
- 12 all expenses associated with this project; that was part of
- 13 the oral understanding that you had with him -- isn't that
- 14 correct? -- that he would front all the money.
- 15 A Yes.
- 16 Q Okay. So the fact that you never made any
- 17 payments under the lease agreement was not inconsistent with
- 18 your understanding with Mr. Kay. I mean, you signed a
- 19 lease agreement, and that would be WTB Exhibit 300, I
- 20 believe, if you want to refresh -- okay. Under that lease
- 21 agreement you never made any payments. That was your
- 22 testimony.
- 23 A That is correct.
- 24 Q But that, the failure to make those payments was
- 25 not inconsistent with your understanding with Mr. Kay. The

- 1 payments were not expected. Correct?
- 2 A Correct.
- 3 MR. SHAINIS: Okay. Just a moment, please.
- 4 (Pause.)
- 5 BY MR. SHAINIS:
- 6 Q Ms. Pfeifer, if I could ask you to look at WTB
- 7 Exhibit 299, and without trying to go over material that's
- 8 already covered, I'll just ask one or two questions. That
- 9 is your signature, isn't it?
- 10 A It appears to be my signature.
- 11 Q Thank you. And Exhibit 301, please, if you could
- 12 look at that, there is -- at the very bottom of that exhibit
- 13 the name "Carla Pfeifer" appears. Is that your signature?
- 14 A It appears to be my signature.
- 15 O Okay. Thank you. Ms. Pfeifer, could you look at
- 16 Exhibit 296, please? Do you see the check there?
- 17 A Yes.
- 18 Q Is that your signature on the check?
- 19 A Yes.
- 20 Q Okay. Ms. Pfeifer, I am far from an expert, but
- 21 that signature on that check looks different than the other
- 22 two signatures that I've just asked you to identify.
- 23 A Yes.
- Q Okay. Why is that?
- 25 A I don't know.

- 1 Q You do agree that it appears to be different.
- 2 A Yes.
- 3 Q But yet all three of them are your signatures.
- 4 A All three of them appear to be my signature.
- 5 Q Okay. If you could look at WTB Exhibit 303, and
- 6 if you look on that portion with your signature on it, --
- 7 A I see it.
- 8 Q -- you indicated that you did not believe that was
- 9 your handwriting.
- 10 A That is correct.
- 11 Q Okay. But yet that does appear to be similar to
- 12 the other signatures.
- 13 MR. SCHAUBLE: Objection to the characterization,
- 14 Your Honor.
- MR. CROSS: Overruled.
- 16 THE WITNESS: The question, please?
- 17 BY MR. SHAINIS:
- 18 Q It appears to be similar to the other signatures,
- 19 with the exception of the one on the check.
- 20 A It appears --
- MR. SCHAUBLE: Objection, Your Honor. I think if
- 22 counsel is asking the witness to compare documents, he
- 23 should direct the witness to --
- MR. CROSS: Overruled.
- THE WITNESS: The question again, please?

- 1 BY MR. SHAINIS:
- 2 Q This signature on Exhibit 303 appears to be
- 3 similar to the other signatures that I've just asked you to
- 4 look at, with the exception of the one that was on the
- 5 check.
- 6 A They all appear to be similar.
- 7 Q Thank you. Without looking at the original,
- 8 however, and I realize all you have is a copy, how do you
- 9 know that what I've just shown you that was on Exhibit 303
- 10 is not your handwriting?
- 11 A I know my signature.
- 12 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Do you remember ever seeing this
- 13 document?
- 14 THE WITNESS: Which document, Your Honor?
- 15 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Let's take 306.
- 16 MR. SCHAUBLE: I'm sorry, Your Honor. Which
- 17 exhibit number?
- 18 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Let me withdraw that. Go ahead,
- 19 Counsel.
- MR. SHAINIS: Thank you.
- 21 BY MR. SHAINIS:
- 22 Q You testified that there is a point in time that
- 23 you had a visit from someone from the FCC whose name was
- 24 Benny. Is that correct?
- 25 A Correct.

- 1 Q And did the individual show you credentials
- 2 indicating that he was from the FCC?
- 3 A He had already introduced himself to my husband
- 4 before I got home, so whether or not credentials were shown
- 5 or not, I cannot say.
- 7 A No, I do not.
- 8 Q Okay. And you remember, however, that he told you
- 9 that the FCC had received a complaint from James A. Kay. Is
- 10 that correct?
- 11 A That is correct.
- 12 Q Now at this period of time you still had a
- 13 business association with Mr. Kay in the operation of that
- 14 station.
- 15 A No.
- 16 Q You did not?
- 17 A I don't believe we did, no.
- 18 Q Why don't you believe you did?
- 19 A There had been no communication about the station
- 20 in quite some time. He had also had a falling out with my
- 21 husband, and the friendship ceased to exist.
- Q Do you have any reason to know why Mr. Kay,
- 23 assuming he did file a complaint, would file a complaint?
- 24 Wouldn't it be against his business interests?
- 25 A I cannot say with 100-percent accuracy to this,

- 1 but I will say that when Mr. Kay and my husband -- because
- 2 my husband is now deceased --
- 3 Q I'm sorry.
- 4 A -- and my husband worked for Mr. Kay, my husband
- 5 was privileged to a lot of information regarding Mr. Kay's
- 6 business practices, and when they parted ways for business
- 7 and personal reasons, the amount of pressure that Mr. Kay
- 8 put upon my home personally with phone calls and so on
- 9 caused concern for us. So when the gentleman from FCC came
- 10 and said he had a complaint from James Kay, we did not
- 11 question it.
- 12 Q Okay. But you don't know for a fact that James
- 13 Kay filed a complaint.
- 14 A I did not see any hand papers, nothing, no.
- 15 Q Okay. And the basis for that statement is what
- 16 this person who said he was from the FCC told you.
- 17 A Correct.
- 18 Q Did he tell it to you or to your husband?
- 19 A To me.
- 20 Q Thank you. Your decision to assign the station to
- 21 A1A Repeaters; was that your decision solely, or was it in
- 22 conjunction with your husband?
- 23 A In conjunction with my husband.
- Q Okay. And, to your knowledge, did Mr. Kay file
- 25 any kind of protest relative to that application?

- 1 A I don't know. I have no knowledge.
- 2 Q And as we've stipulated, that assignment did
- 3 happen.
- 4 A I understand it did happen.
- 5 Q But you were not aware of that, I assume, until
- 6 today.
- 7 A That is correct. I was not aware of it.
- 8 Q Okay. Do you know who Mr. Barney Petersen is?
- 9 A I know the name, yes.
- 10 Q And who is he?
- 11 A He is the owner of A1A Repeater.
- 12 Q Okay. And did he ever advise you as to how you
- 13 would be compensated once the assignment was completed?
- 14 A He made no exacting figures except to say when the
- 15 assignment was completed, he would contact us.
- 16 Q Have you been contacted by Mr. Petersen?
- 17 A No, sir.
- 18 Q Okay. And when you say once the assignment was
- 19 completed, he would contact you, meaning he would compensate
- 20 you, I assume.
- 21 A I can't comment on that. I don't know.
- Q Well, did you have any understanding when you
- 23 assigned this to Mr. Petersen, were you just doing it for
- 24 free?
- 25 A I did not directly. Whether or not my husband did

- 1 or not, I can't tell you. I don't know.
- Q I see. Are you anticipating any type of
- 3 compensation from Mr. Petersen?
- 4 MR. SCHAUBLE: Objection. Relevance.
- 5 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Overruled.
- 6 THE WITNESS: No, sir.
- 7 BY MR. SHAINIS:
- 8 Q Okay. Did Mr. Petersen ever inform your husband,
- 9 to the best of your knowledge, that he was unable to get the
- 10 assignment granted because it had been assigned to Mr. Kay?
- MR. SCHAUBLE: Objection. Hearsay.
- 12 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Overruled.
- 13 THE WITNESS: Yes. I understood. I came home
- 14 from work one day, and my husband said that he had talked to
- 15 Barney Petersen, and Barney Petersen said he could not get
- 16 the assignment of the license because it had been turned
- 17 over to Jim Kay.
- 18 BY MR. SHAINIS:
- 19 Q All right. And you now know that that's not the
- 20 case.
- 21 A That is correct.
- Q Okay. Ms. Pfeifer, the documents in which you
- 23 stated do not appear to be your signature; do you know who
- 24 signed -- if it's not your signature, do you have any idea
- 25 who signed it?

- 1 A No, sir, I do not.
- 2 Q Is it possible that the signatures could have been
- 3 done by your late husband?
- 4 MR. SCHAUBLE: Objection. Calls for speculation.
- 5 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Overruled.
- 6 THE WITNESS: I doubt it seriously. He would
- 7 never consider signing my name or anybody's name.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: What I'm trying to understand,
- 9 there was an assignment application which, in fact, was
- 10 filed. You're saying you didn't sign that document, the
- 11 assignment application.
- 12 THE WITNESS: The assignment application? Yes,
- 13 sir.
- 14 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Oh, you did sign the assignment
- 15 application.
- 16 THE WITNESS: To Barney Petersen, A1A Repeater.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: So you were aware there was an
- 18 assignment application.
- 19 THE WITNESS: For AlA Repeating.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: And what were you to receive?
- 21 What information do you have about the arrangement whereby
- 22 the repeater was to be assigned to Mr. Patterson --
- 23 THE WITNESS: Petersen.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: -- Petersen.
- 25 THE WITNESS: As in compensation to me?

- 1 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Yes.
- THE WITNESS: I had nothing in writing about any
- 3 compensation for my license from Mr. Petersen.
- 4 JUDGE CHACHKIN: In other words, if there were any
- 5 discussions, it was between your late husband and Mr.
- 6 Petersen.
- 7 THE WITNESS: That is correct.
- 8 JUDGE CHACHKIN: And how did it come about that
- 9 you signed this assignment application? Who presented it to
- 10 you?
- 11 THE WITNESS: My husband.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Your husband presented it to you.
- 13 Then you signed the document -- you didn't have any
- 14 discussions with Mr. Petersen prior to the assignment.
- 15 THE WITNESS: We had had one meeting, but there
- 16 was nothing discussed monetarily or anything.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Well, what was discussed at that
- 18 meeting?
- 19 THE WITNESS: We just met him to sign the
- 20 assignment paper, and I met with him on one occasion to sign
- 21 the assignment paper, and that was it.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: So you were aware of the
- 23 application, the license was to be assigned.
- 24 THE WITNESS: Correct.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: And you have no knowledge of who

- 1 prepared the assignment application.
- THE WITNESS: For A1A Repeater?
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Yes. Not for -- no, I assume A1A
- 4 Repeater prepared the assignment application.
- 5 THE WITNESS: Correct.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: But there was no part of the
- 7 application that you had to prepare, as far as you know.
- 8 THE WITNESS: Right. I just had to sign it.
- 9 JUDGE CHACHKIN: And when was this?
- 10 THE WITNESS: In 1982.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: You had no discussion with your
- 12 husband whether you were to receive any compensation in
- 13 connection with this site?
- 14 THE WITNESS: No, sir, I did not. At that point
- 15 in time, Your Honor, I just wanted to be completely free and
- 16 clear of Mr. James Kay.
- 17 JUDGE CHACHKIN: I understand it, but the
- 18 compensation was not coming from Mr. Kay; it was coming from
- 19 Mr. Petersen.
- 20 THE WITNESS: But Mr. Kay was continuing to call
- 21 my house, so I wanted nothing further to do with Mr. Kay.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: I understand that, but you had no
- 23 discussions with Mr. Petersen, and you don't know if your
- 24 late husband had discussions with Mr. Petersen concerning
- 25 compensation.

- 1 THE WITNESS: Correct.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: All right. And let me ask, you
- 3 were never advised until today, you were not aware until
- 4 today, that the assignment application was actually granted
- 5 and that the repeater was assigned to Mr. Petersen.
- 6 THE WITNESS: That is correct.
- 7 MR. SHAINIS: Your Honor, I would like to approach
- 8 the witness for a moment.
- 9 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Go ahead.
- 10 (Pause.)
- 11 MR. SHAINIS: I'm going to show you a document,
- 12 and it's called an "assignment of authorization." If you
- 13 could just review it for just a minute.
- 14 THE WITNESS: Okay.
- BY MR. SHAINIS:
- 16 Q Is that your signature on the document?
- 17 A I believe that is my signature on this document.
- 18 Q And what is the date after your signature?
- 19 A It's 10/22/90.
- 20 Q Okay. So does that refresh your recollection as
- 21 the date that you signed it?
- 22 A No.
- 23 Q Fair enough.
- 24 MR. SHAINIS: Can we stipulate that the date that
- 25 it was signed or the date that's on the application was

- 1 October 22, 1990?
- 2 MR. SCHAUBLE: I'm willing to stipulate that the
- 3 date that appears on the application is 10/22/90.
- 4 BY MR. SHAINIS:
- 5 Q The October date of 1990; would that be after your
- 6 husband left Mr. Kay's employment?
- 7 A It sounds reasonable.
- 8 Q Okay.
- 9 A I won't say 100 percent, --
- 10 O I understand.
- 11 A -- but it sounds about right.
- 12 0 I understand.
- MR. SHAINIS: Your Honor, I'd like to approach the
- 14 witness again.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Go ahead.
- 16 (Pause.)
- 17 MR. SHAINIS: I'm going to show you a document
- 18 that's dated October 24, 1990. It's on your letterhead, and
- 19 if you could tell me -- just review the document just for a
- 20 minute.
- 21 (Pause.)
- BY MR. SHAINIS:
- Q Do you recall that document?
- 24 A Uh-huh.
- THE COURT: You do? You've got to speak up.

- 1 THE WITNESS: Yes, sir. I'm sorry. I do.
- BY MR. SHAINIS:
- 3 Q And it's a letter addressed to the Federal
- 4 Communications Commission. Is that correct?
- 5 A That is correct.
- 6 Q And it states that "I, Carla Pfeifer, am selling
- 7 the above facility, Castro Peak, California, to A1A Repeater
- 8 Company. Sincerely, Carla Pfeifer." Is that correct?
- 9 A Correct.
- 10 Q And is that your signature?
- 11 A Yes, sir.
- 12 Q And that signature, if you compare it to what is
- 13 on WTB Exhibit 296, which is right here, does that look
- 14 dissimilar to you to the one on the check?
- 15 A Yes.
- 16 MR. SCHAUBLE: Objection, Your Honor. Unless
- 17 counsel intends to place this document in evidence, the
- 18 record --
- 19 MR. SHAINIS: I'm asking --
- 20 JUDGE CHACHKIN: That's an objection. It's
- 21 overruled.
- 22 BY MR. SHAINIS:
- 23 Q Does that signature look dissimilar to you?
- 24 A It appears to be similar, yes.
- 25 Q No. I said "dissimilar."

- 1 A Oh, dissimilar.
- 2 O Yes.
- 3 A I'm sorry. No, it is not dissimilar.
- 4 Q To you it appears exactly the same as the
- 5 signature on this check.
- 6 A It appears to be the same signature, yes.
- 7 Q Does it appear to be exactly the way the signature
- 8 is signed on the check?
- 9 A No.
- 10 O It does not?
- 11 A No.
- 12 Q Thank you.
- 13 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Are you going to introduce that
- 14 in evidence? Now that you've asked questions about the
- 15 signature, I think it should be in evidence.
- MR. SHAINIS: All right. Your Honor, let me have
- 17 identified as -- with leave to withdraw to make the
- 18 appropriate copies --
- 19 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Leave is granted.
- 20 MR. SHAINIS: -- and I'll have it identified --
- 21 it's a one-page exhibit -- as Kay Exhibit 2.
- 22 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Correct. All right. The
- 23 document described will be marked for identification as Kay
- 24 Exhibit 2. Any objection to its receipt?

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1	(The document referred to was
2	marked for identification as
3	Kay Exhibit 2.)
4	MR. SCHAUBLE: No objection, Your Honor.
5	JUDGE CHACHKIN: Kay Exhibit 2 is received.
6	Permission is granted to withdraw it for the purpose of
7	making copies. You can have the document, however, marked
8	by the reporter.
9	MR. SHAINIS: I'm just going to write on it
10	"Exhibit 2." Just give me a moment, Your Honor.
11	JUDGE CHACHKIN: Yes.
12	BY MR. SHAINIS:
13	Q Ms. Pfeifer, just to ask you one more question
14	about the exhibit that's been identified as Kay Exhibit 2
15	MR. SHAINIS: Your Honor, that has been admitted?
16	JUDGE CHACHKIN: Yes.
17	(The document previously
18	marked for identification as
19	Kay Exhibit 2 was received in
20	evidence.)
21	MR. SHAINIS: Okay. Thank you.
22	BY MR. SHAINIS:
23	Q This is a letter to the Federal Communications
24	Commission that you signed, and it says you're selling the

25 referenced facility to A1A Repeater. How do you sell

- 1 something without any kind of compensation?
- 2 MR. SCHAUBLE: Objection to the form of the
- 3 question.
- 4 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Overruled.
- 5 THE WITNESS: I believe "selling" was perhaps an
- 6 inappropriate word to use on that particular document. I
- 7 can't sell something if I don't have the money if it's a
- 8 monetary compensation; or if it's exchange in a barter
- 9 system, I had nothing, but, still, the word was used as
- 10 selling.
- 11 BY MR. SHAINIS:
- 12 Q Did you write this document?
- 13 A Yes.
- MR. SHAINIS: Your Honor, the assignment
- 15 application itself, well, the first part of the assignment
- 16 application bearing Ms. Pfeifer's signature, I'd like that
- 17 to be marked for identification as Kay Exhibit 3.
- 18 JUDGE CHACHKIN: The document will be so marked.
- 19 (The document referred to was
- 20 marked for identification as
- 21 Kay Exhibit 3.)
- 22 MR. SHAINIS: And I would like to have it admitted
- 23 with leave to withdraw to submit the appropriate number of
- 24 copies.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Any objection?

- 1 MR. SCHAUBLE: No objection, Your Honor.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Kay Exhibit 3 is received.
- 3 Permission is granted to make copies.
- 4 (The document previously
- 5 marked for identification as
- 6 Kay Exhibit 3 was received in
- 7 evidence.)
- 8 (Pause.)
- 9 MR. SHAINIS: Just one moment, Your Honor.
- 10 (Pause.)
- MR. SHAINIS: Your Honor, I'd like to ask Mr.
- 12 Schauble a question, if I might.
- 13 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Go ahead.
- 14 MR. SHAINIS: The documents that Ms. Pfeifer has
- 15 signed that have been submitted to the Commission; do you
- 16 have the originals?
- MR. SCHAUBLE: Do you mean in the exhibits here?
- 18 MR. SHAINIS: Yes.
- 19 MR. SCHAUBLE: I have not seen the actual -- I
- 20 have not seen the originals. I have not seen actual
- 21 originals, Your Honor. I don't --
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: What were the copies made from?
- 23 What did you put in the court reporter? The court reporter
- 24 doesn't have the original?
- MR. SCHAUBLE: Your Honor, the court reporter has

- 1 -- I believe what Mr. Shainis is asking is the ultimate
- 2 source doc having originals signature.
- 3 MR. SHAINIS: Yes.
- 4 MR. SCHAUBLE: What the court reporter has, Your
- 5 Honor, is the Xerox copy.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: From what? Where are the
- 7 originals? What were the Xerox copies copied from?
- 8 MR. SCHAUBLE: A copy of the document in my --
- 9 that was in my files, Your Honor.
- 10 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Well, where are the originals
- 11 filed with the Commission?
- MR. SCHAUBLE: Your Honor, that may be located in
- 13 the Gettysburg facility, or the originals may no longer
- 14 exist. I cannot state with certainty.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Well, you try to find out where
- 16 the originals are, and if they are, produce them.
- 17 MR. SCHAUBLE: We certainly have no -- if they
- 18 exist and we can get our hands on them, Your Honor, we have
- 19 no objection to providing them.
- 20 MR. SHAINIS: Your Honor, it's no disrespect to
- 21 Ms. Pfeifer, but it's difficult when I look at these
- 22 signatures, and I'm not an expert, all of these signatures
- 23 appear to be different, slightly; and some of them, Ms.
- 24 Pfeifer is saying, are her signatures and some of them are
- 25 not. There are dissimilarities between all of the

- 1 signatures, and I realize -- I assume that maybe people can
- 2 change their handwriting style slightly from document to
- 3 document, but without them the inference cannot be drawn
- 4 that this is not her signature without looking at the
- 5 originals.
- 6 JUDGE CHACHKIN: In order for, obviously, an
- 7 expert to review the documents, we would have to have the
- 8 originals. If you're going to make some kind of point that
- 9 she didn't sign these documents, although there is no
- 10 evidence who signed them -- we don't know who signed them if
- 11 she didn't -- the originals are really necessary to be
- 12 produced under these circumstances if we are going to have a
- 13 handwriting analyst examine them.
- MR. SCHAUBLE: Your Honor, as we said, you know,
- 15 if the originals exist in our files, we will search, and the
- 16 witness could also be asked concerning the basis for her
- 17 understanding and belief.
- 18 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Well, she has already testified
- 19 that they are different, but apparently there is a
- 20 similarity between a lot of the signatures, even those which
- 21 she doesn't believe are hers.
- 22 All right. Any further questions? You're going
- 23 to make a good-faith effort to find it. Report, certainly
- 24 no later than next session, about whether you found the
- 25 originals.

- 1 MR. SCHAUBLE: Yes, Your Honor. When I break, I'm
- 2 going to talk to the people in the Gettysburg facility and
- 3 ascertain a search to determine whether the originals are
- 4 still in our custody.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: When were these copies made?
- 6 MR. SCHAUBLE: Your Honor, the copies that form
- 7 the basis of the actual exhibits were made this year. As to
- 8 when the copies from which those copies were made, I don't
- 9 have personal knowledge of that.
- 10 JUDGE CHACHKIN: I don't understand why a copy
- 11 would be made and the original not kept, if that's the case,
- 12 unless you can give some explanation as to why that was
- 13 done.
- 14 MR. SCHAUBLE: Your Honor, I can't speak
- 15 specifically for these documents.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Well, you find out whatever you
- 17 can and give us a report.
- 18 MR. KELLER: Your Honor, I also just want to state
- 19 that the copies appear to have been made as far back as
- 20 1995. Late last week, pursuant to your earlier ruling, we
- 21 were provided with copies of witness statements for the
- 22 witnesses who would be appearing this week, the --
- 23 statements. This is the first time we saw some of these
- 24 documents.
- The statement was dated '95, and some of these

- 1 documents are attachments to it. And I would note that
- 2 since the statement was obviously prepared in connection
- 3 with this proceeding, if the Bureau was at that time
- 4 intending to raise inferences, suggestions, allegations,
- 5 assertions regarding signatures, they should have taken
- 6 care, even back at that time, to secure the originals.
- I don't really ask you to say anything about that.
- 8 I just want to note that for the record.
- 9 The second point I wanted to make is that,
- 10 depending on how this comes out, we may need to seek expert
- 11 forensic testimony, and we would ask that -- I just want to
- 12 be clear that if we present an expert of that nature, it's
- 13 not going to be subject to the January 4th prefiling
- 14 deadline.
- 15 JUDGE CHACHKIN: I understand.
- 16 MR. SCHAUBLE: January 5th.
- 17 MR. KELLER: Is it January 5th? I'm sorry.
- 18 JUDGE CHACHKIN: If there is a need for an expert
- 19 analysis, then certainly it will not be subject to that
- 20 deadline. We will make whatever time is necessary to permit
- 21 that analysis, but without the originals, I don't know how
- 22 that analysis can be made.
- 23 MR. SCHAUBLE: Your Honor, I will also note,
- 24 although I can't claim at this point that it relates to
- 25 these specific documents, that I believe in 1995 in

- 1 Gettysburg there was a flood at that facility which
- 2 destroyed a large number of documents. Several feet of
- 3 water from a nearby river went flooding through the facility
- 4 and destroyed a large number of documents. Now I can't say
- 5 that's what happened to these originals.
- 6 MR. KELLER: Well, I understand that, Your Honor,
- 7 but also this was 1995. This proceeding was designated in
- 8 1994, and the prosecution, people responsible for the
- 9 prosecution of this case were in Washington, D.C. So I
- 10 understand that there could be some problems.
- 11 JUDGE CHACHKIN: In any event, I want you to find
- 12 out whatever you can and let us know.
- MR. SCHAUBLE: Very well, Your Honor. I will.
- MR. SHAINIS: No further questions, Your Honor.
- 15 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Any redirect?
- MR. SCHAUBLE: If I could have one moment, Your
- 17 Honor.
- 18 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Yes.
- 19 (Pause.)
- MR. SCHAUBLE: Yes. Just a couple of questions,
- 21 Your Honor.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Go ahead.
- 23 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- 24 BY MR. SCHAUBLE:
- 25 Q Ms. Pfeifer, in response to some questions from

- 1 Mr. Shainis, when he pointed you to certain signatures, you
- 2 indicated that, for instance, with respect to WTB Exhibit
- 3 299 --
- 4 MR. SHAINIS: Did you say "299"?
- 5 MR. SCHAUBLE: 299.
- 6 BY MR. SCHAUBLE:
- 7 Q I believe you testified in response to a question
- 8 from Mr. Shainis that that appeared to be your signature.
- 9 Do you recall that testimony?
- 10 A Yes, sir.
- 11 Q Okay. Do you, in fact, believe that to be your
- 12 signature?
- 13 A It's questionable in my mind. It is very similar,
- 14 but it is questionable in my mind.
- Okay. So when you testified that it appears to be
- 16 your signature, that does not necessarily mean that you, in
- 17 fact, believe it to be your signature --
- 18 MR. SHAINIS: Objection. Leading the witness.
- 19 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Sustained. She has testified as
- 20 to what she could say about that particular subject.
- MR. SCHAUBLE: Okay. No further questions, Your
- 22 Honor.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Do you have any further
- 24 questions?
- MR. SHAINIS: No, Your Honor.

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              JUDGE CHACHKIN: You're excused. Thank you very
  much.
              (Discussion off the record.)
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              JUDGE CHACHKIN: Anything further?
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              MR. SCHAUBLE: I have nothing further, Your Honor.
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              JUDGE CHACHKIN: All right. Then we will be in
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   recess until January 11th at 9 a.m.
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              (Whereupon, at 11:23 a.m., the hearing was
   adjourned, to be reconvened at 9 a.m., on Monday, January
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